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Mr. Roy Benson Area Manager, Keigley Quarry Box 20-B, RFD #1 Santaguin, Utah 84655

Dear Mr. Benson:

Re: Resumption of Mining, Iron Mountain, M/021/008, Iron County, Utah

The Division hereby authorizes Geneva Steel to resume operations at Iron Mountain while the permit transfer and bonding are being processed. This approval is given for a 90-day period during which the permit transfer will have to be completed. We have not yet received a bond and bonding agreement for the permit transfer. This matter will have to be taken care of before the transfer can be presented to the Board of Oil, Gas and Mining for approval.

In the last paragraph of your letter received by the Division May 23, 1988, you state that several proposed future amendments can also be covered under the proposed bond. This is probably true, but determination of bond adequacy is dependent on two things:

- 1. Release of some portions of the revegetation bond on the Mountain Lion site or Blackhawks Fines area. I recommend that you contact Holland Shepherd of my staff to arrange a field inspection of these areas so that a determination can be made as to what can be released.
- 2. Division review of the amendments. At this time we have only a generalized concept of your future plans for these areas. We cannot be 100 percent sure that the current bond amount will be adequate to cover all future contingencies.

I do not believe that either of these two items should present much of a problem. The field inspection should be made during the summer months when vegetative cover can adequately be determined.

Sincerely,

Lowell P. Braxton

Administrator, Mineral Resource

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